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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Shiro SHIBAYAMA, Atsushi HIRANO, and Hiroyuki OHNO
A NOVEL POLYPEPTIDE AND DNAS ENCODING IT
Assignee: **ONO PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.**
Our Ref: Q68658

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/246,355, filed February 8, 1999, of Shiro SHIBAYAMA, Atsushi HIRANO, and Hiroyuki OHNO, entitled A NOVEL POLYPEPTIDE AND DNAS ENCODING IT, which is a Continuation Application of U.S. Application No. 09/246,355 filed February 8, 1999, which is a continuation application of U.S. Application No. 08/852,811 filed May 7, 1997, which is a continuation application of U.S. Application No. 08/439,457 filed May 11, 1995.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 4 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1646.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	P. Hei. 6-123155	May 12, 1994

The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 08/439,457.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>10</u> - <u>20</u>	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - <u>3</u>	=	<u> </u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								<u>\$740.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u> </u>
TOTAL FILING FEE								<u>\$740.00</u>

A check for the statutory fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Shiro SHIBAYAMA et al**

Appln. No.: **Continuation of 09/246,355**

Group Art Unit: **1646**

Filed: **February 25, 2002**

Examiner: **Mertz, P.**

For: **A NOVEL POLYPEPTIDE AND DNAs ENCODING IT**

**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF SUBMISSION
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e)**

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following statement is provided to meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e).

I hereby state that the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing in the present application, i.e., Continuation of U.S. Appln. No. 09/246,355 (serial number unassigned), is identical to that submitted in the Parent Application, i.e., U.S. Appln. No. 09/246,355, filed February 8, 1999.

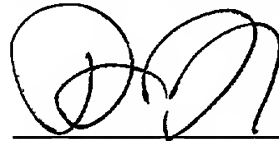
Therefore, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), please use the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing filed in Parent Application No. 09/246,355 as the computer readable form for the present application.

It is understood that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary changes in the application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the present application.

**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF SUBMISSION
CONT of USSN 09/246,355**

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge and that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,



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